

in which

- E represents a metal ion equivalent or an ammonium ion,
L represents oxygen or sulphur and
M represents oxygen or sulphur,

R¹ represents C₁-C₂₀-alkyl, C₂-C₂₀-alkenyl, C₁-C₈-alkoxy-C₁-C₈-alkyl, C₁-C₈-alkylthio-C₁-C₈-alkyl or poly-C₁-C₈-alkoxy-C₁-C₈-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by halogen, or represents C₃-C₈-cycloalkyl which is optionally substituted by halogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxy and in which one or two methylene groups which are not directly adjacent are optionally replaced by oxygen and/or sulphur,

or represents phenyl which is optionally substituted by halogen, cyano, nitro, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-halogenoalkyl, C₁-C₆-halogenoalkoxy, C₁-C₆-alkylthio or C₁-C₆-alkylsulphonyl,

or represents phenyl-C₁-C₆-alkyl which is optionally substituted by halogen, nitro, cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-halogenoalkyl or C₁-C₆-halogenoalkoxy,

or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl having one or two hetero atoms from the series consisting of oxygen, sulphur and nitrogen which is optionally substituted by halogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

or represents phenoxy-C₁-C₆-alkyl which is optionally substituted by halogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

or represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl-C₁-C₆-alkyl having one or two hetero atoms from the series consisting of oxygen, sulphur and nitrogen which is optionally substituted by halogen, amino or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

R² represents C₁-C₂₀-alkyl, C₂-C₂₀-alkenyl, C₁-C₈-alkoxy-C₂-C₈-alkyl or poly-C₁-C₈-alkoxy-C₂-C₈-alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by halogen,

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optionally substituted by fluorine or chlorine, or represents C3-C6 cycloalkyl which is optionally substituted by fluorine or chlorine, or represents C3-C6 cycloalkyl, or represents phenyl, phenyl-C1-C2-alkyl or benzyloxy, each of which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, ethyl, iso-propyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, isopropoxy, tert-butoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro or cyano,

R14—represents hydrogen or C1-C4-alkyl, or

R13 and R14 together represent C4-C6-alkanediyl,

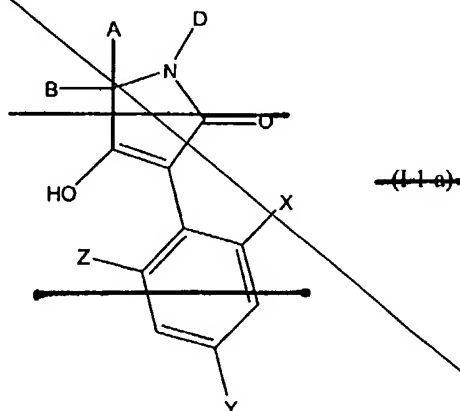
R15 and R16 are identical or different and represent methyl or ethyl, or

R15 and R16 together represent a C2-C3-alkanediyl radical which is optionally substituted by methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, sec-butyl or tert-butyl, or by phenyl which is optionally substituted by fluorine, chlorine, methoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro or cyano.

Claim 5 (currently amended)

5. Process for the preparation of compounds of the formula (I) according to Claim 1, characterized in that

(A) — compounds of the formula (I-1-a)



Substitute
with
Claim 5
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